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US Department of Energy (FE-24)
Office of Oil and Gas Global Security and Supply
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Dear Department Members:

As seasoned Alaskan residents, parents, and retired educators we have a vested interest in our state's welfare. We value our abundant natural resources, and understand the importance of committed stewardship over these resources, the land, wildlife and waters that are our way of life....our 'life line' now and for future generations.

You are currently taking public testimony regarding Conoco Phillips' request to extend their existing license to send liquefied natural gas from Kenai to Japan. Kenai, a port city on Cook Inlet, has the only LNG export facility in the U.S. While we support the export of excess gas from Cook Inlet, we are concerned that the local needs of residents be met first. We ask that you hold Conoco Phillips to the federal requirement of meeting regional needs before exporting gas to Japan. Certainly, in today's environment, experience teaches us that corporations are not in the business of preserving the common welfare of citizens. Although Alaska has been good to Conoco Phillips we cannot expect that this for-profit corporation will do the right thing for all Alaskans.

Hence, our state legislators, whose job it is to protect the interests of the citizens they represent, have asked that the following three conditions are included on the permit before authorization is granted to extend the license of Conoco Phillip's to export Alaska's natural gas to Japan:

- 1. Binding contracts must be in place with Alaskan utilities to meet local needs at fair prices through the term of the export license.
- 2. Commitment to new exploration in Cook Inlet to maintain current levels of gas reserves.
- 3. Agreement to provide access to the LNG plant to encourage new explorers in Cook Inlet.

We are in support of these conditions which address Alaskans' need to access our natural gas before we send it overseas. We ask that you give them careful thought and require Conoco Phillips to meet these conditions.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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